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A.—The Government Agent made a direction to the office to prepare a sanad permitting Mr. K. Viranna to practise in the Agency Munsif's Courts and the sanad actually issued by the Agent specifically stated that it was valid only up to 31st December 1927.

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI :—" May I know from the hon. the Revenue Member whether it is the practice to issue these sanads year by year ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" They are renewed, Sir, year by year ; that is my information."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI :—" May I know why in this particular case the sanad is not issued ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" I should like to have notice of that, Sir."

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" Is Mr. K Viranna, a private vakil, or an unlicensed pleader, Sir ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" That is my impression, Sir, but I must ask for notice."

Mr A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" Have the munsifs concerned no voice in the matter, Sir, as the Magistrates have in regard to pleaders appearing before them ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" If the hon. Member wishes to know whether the munsif was consulted,—the munsif in this case is the Deputy Tahsildar of the locality—I must ask for notice."

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—" I just want to know whether as is the case with regard to criminal courts (in which the Magistrate is the person to grant permission to private persons to conduct cases before him), it is not so with regard to munsifs also."

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" No, Sir ; the sanads are issued by the Agents, I am told."

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI :—" May I know whether the hon. Member will consider this case and see that the sanad is issued, as there are no objections against it ? "

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" It is not a matter of public concern whether a sanad is to be issued to a particular individual or not."

Assignment of lands

Assignment of the disafforested area in Pallalakuppam, North Arcot district, to caste ryots and Adi-Dravidas.

* 998 *Q.*—Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the extent of the disafforested area in Pallalakuppam, Gudiyattam taluk, North Arcot district, and how much of it was transferred to ' ayan ';

(*b*) whether it was the original intention to assign this area both to caste ryots as well as to Adi-Dravidas ;

(c) whether the District Collector, North Arcot, has directed that these lands should not be assigned to caste Hindus and that the Sub-Collector should consult one Rev. Blaess in the matter of assigning these lands ;

(d) whether there is any order of Government that lands available for assignment in the North Arcot district should be assigned to European padres or their congregations ; and

(e) whether Government will, with reference to the Proceedings of the Collector of North Arcot, dated 29th October 1927, D. Dis. 7490/27, place the concerned papers on the table of this House and stop the execution of the Collector's Proceedings in the matter in the meantime ?

A.—(*a*) The extent of the disafforested area in Pallalakuppam is 462·86 acres, of which an extent of 206·34 acres has been transferred to ayan.

(*b*) The original intention was to assign the lands for an Adi-Dravida settlement.

(*c*) The Collector did not direct that the land should not be assigned to caste Hindus. The Sub-Collector was asked to report in consultation with Mr. Blaess whether any portion of the lands could be set apart for caste Hindus. The reason why it was thought desirable to consult Mr. Blaess was that it was at his instance that the scheme had been started.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) A copy of G.O.[a] Mis. No. 1816, Development, dated 18th December 1925, is laid on the table. The Government see no cause for intervention.

Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR :—" I want to know if the Government cared to ascertain whether the whole area of 260 acres was really necessary for the colony proposed by the Rev. Mr. Blaess."

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" I cannot conceive a colony with much lesser area, Sir."

Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR :—" What is the number of people proposed to be settled in the colony ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" Notice, Sir."

Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR :—" Has any portion of the land been assigned to the caste Hindus ? "

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—" Notice, Sir."

Constitution of districts, divisions and taluks

Proposed shifting of the Nuzvid Divisional office.

*999 *Q.*—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government intend to shift the Nuzvid Divisional office from Bezwada (Kistna district) to any other place in the division ;

(*b*) what will be the taluks to be included in the Nuzvid division ;

(*c*) whether any site has been acquired in Nuzvid for constructing the Divisional office ; if so, at what cost ;

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on page 126 infra.